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CHARACTER SELECT

MEGA MAN
SUPER FIGHTING ROBOT

ROLL
MEGA MAN'S SISTER

DR. LIGHT
CREATOR AND "FATHER" OF MEGA MAN & ROLL

DR. WILY
ROBOTICS GENIUS

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Roll had tasked Auto with keeping tabs on Dr. Wily.
But then Auto went missing...

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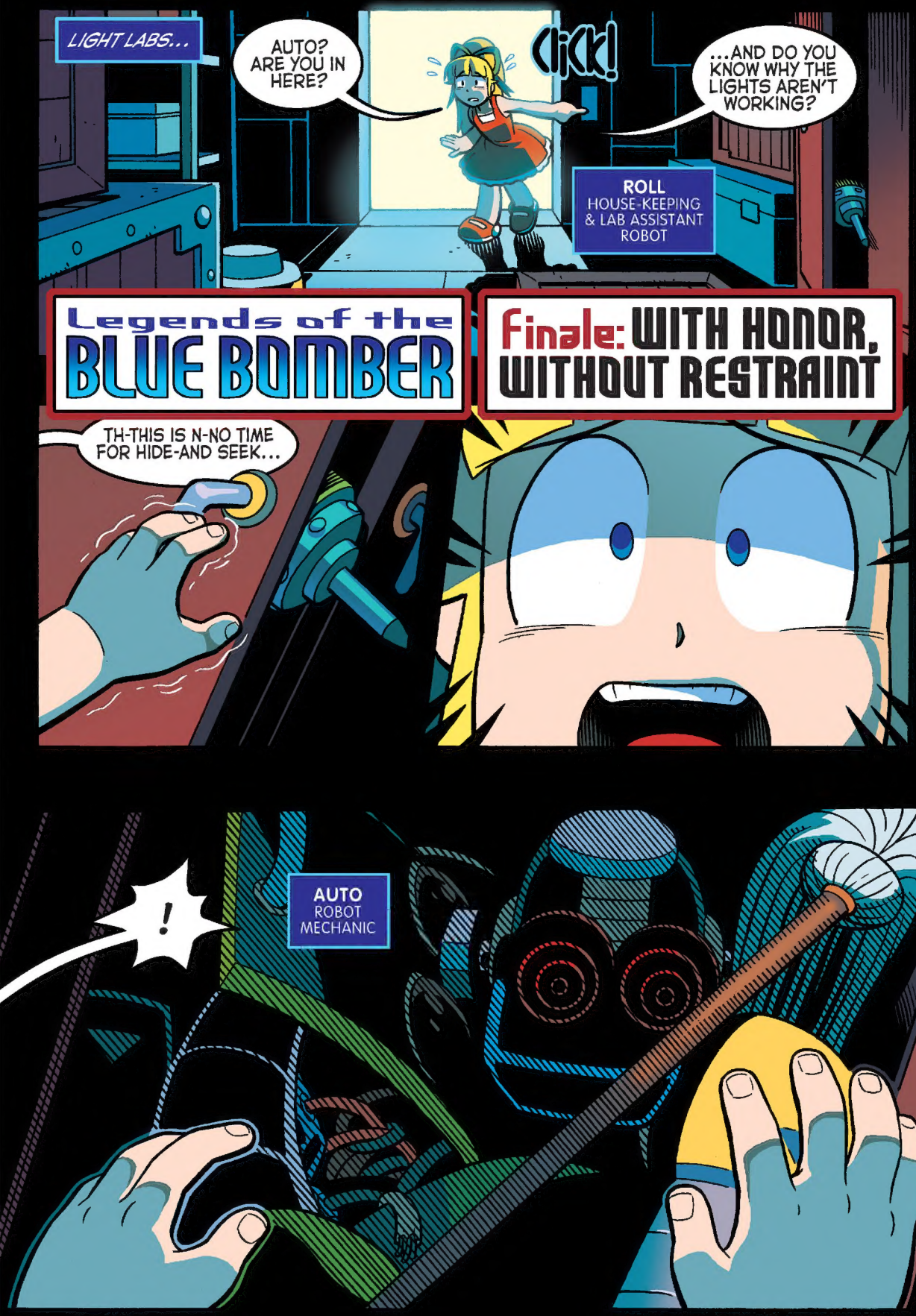
LIGHT LABS...
AUTO? ARE YOU IN HERE?
CLICK!
...AND DO YOU KNOW WHY THE LIGHTS AREN'T WORKING?
ROLL
HOUSE-KEEPING & LAB ASSISTANT ROBOT
Legends of the BLUE BOMBER
Finale: WITH HONOR, WITHOUT RESTRAINT
TH-THIS IS N-NO TIME FOR HIDE-AND SEEK...
!
AUTO
ROBOT MECHANIC

MEANWHILE, DEEP IN AN UNDERGROUND MINE...
HARD MAN
DWN-020 THE QUIET, THREE-TON TITAN!
THE UNBREAKABLE GROUND-BREAKER!
OOP! EEK-BEEP!
HMM?
THEN MEGA MAN IS HERE. THANK YOU, LITTLE FRIEND. RETURN TO YOUR REGULAR FUNCTIONS.

THERE YOU ARE!
MEGA MAN
HEROIC BOY ROBOT
GRRRRR!
RUSH
FAITHFUL ROBO-DOG
YOU MUST BE EXHAUSTED. WOULD YOU LIKE AN ENERGY REFILL?
UH... SURE.
IT'S NOT, LIKE, A BOMB OR ANYTHING, IS IT?
NO. I BELIEVE IN FIGHTING FAIRLY.

GULP!
THANKS. I REALLY NEEDED THAT.
WHILE YOU'RE BEING HELPFUL, MAYBE YOU CAN ANSWER SOMETHING FOR ME.
SOME OF THE ROBOT MASTERS I'VE FOUGHT DON'T REALLY SEEM INTO THIS. STEALING THE ENERGY ELEMENTS, HIDING ON THE MINING ASTEROIDS OR AROUND EARTH-- THESE ARE ALL SOMEBODY ELSE'S ORDERS.
DOCTOR WILY PULLED SOMETHING LIKE THAT ONCE.* HE SAYS HE WAS BEING CONTROLLED BY RA MOON, BUT...
WE DON'T HAVE TO FIGHT. WE CAN END THIS PEACEFULLY.
*MEGA MAN VOL. 3.
HEH!
DO NOT MISTAKE MY HONOR FOR KINDNESS! YOU ARE HERE FOR THE ENERGY ELEMENT! I AM HERE TO CRUSH YOU!
WOOSH!

UHN!
THOOM!
THOK!
CLANG!

WHUD!
OOF!
STAY BACK, RUSH! YOU CAN'T DO ANY-THING TO HIS ARMOR!
SORRY, HARD MAN. I RESPECT YOU WANTING A FAIR FIGHT...
POW!
POW!
POW!
...BUT I'VE COME TOO FAR TO LOSE NOW!
PING!
YOU THINK YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WITH RANGED WEAPONRY?
pF-thoom!
PING!
PING!
pF-thoom!
GAH!

THIS IS NUTS! HE HITS TOO HARD AND HIS ARMOR IS TOO THICK!
I NEED SOME KIND OF EXPLOSIVE! LIKE BOMB MAN'S HYPER BOMB OR--
CLING!
--A MISSILE!
WEAPON EQUIP!
MAGNET MISSILE
CLING!
CLING!
CLING!
BOOM!

CLANG!
IT'S OVER.
NO...
I'M GOING TO KEEP YOUR I.C. CHIP. DOCTOR LIGHT IS GOING TO REBUILD YOU AND THE OTHERS. SO YOU CAN FULFILL YOUR REAL PURPOSE.
YOU WON'T HAVE TO FIGHT EVER AGAIN.
AS KIND...AS FAIR...AS THE LEGENDS SAID...
THUD!

LIGHT LABS...
DR. THOMAS LIGHT
GENIUS INVENTOR
I'VE JUST SENT THE ENERGY ELEMENT TO THE LAB. ONE MORE ROBOT MASTER TO GO. I'LL BE GLAD WHEN THIS IS FINISHED.
I KNOW, SON. BE CAREFUL. LIGHT LABS, OVER AND OUT FOR NOW.
DR. LIGHT! DR. LIGHT!
WHAT IS IT, DEAR?
I ASKED AUTO TO KEEP WATCH ON DR. WILY! AND THEN AUTO WENT MISSING!
CALM DOWN. I'M SURE THERE'S A REASONABLE EXPLANATION--
AND THEN I FOUND AUTO DIS-ASSEMBLED WITH ALL HIS MEMORY BOARDS RIPPED OUT!
I'M LOCKING US DOWN. ONLY FAMILY CAN MOVE FREELY THROUGH THE LAB NOW.
SHOULDN'T WE TELL ROCK?
I DON'T WANT HIM DIS-TRACTED WHILE HE'S FIGHTING A DANGEROUS ROBOT MASTER. BESIDES...

"...THERE'S NOTHING ALBERT CAN USE AGAINST US IN HERE."
ELSEWHERE IN THE LAB...
SWOOSH
THUNK!
DR. ALBERT W. WILY
"REFORMED"... OH, WHO ARE WE KIDDING? MAD SCIENTIST
LOOKS LIKE THEY'VE FOUND AUTO. IT WAS PROBABLY ROLL. SHE'S AS PROBLEMATIC AS HER BROTHER.
THE BODY OF MY DIVERSE OPERATING CIRCUIT ROBOT IS COMPLETE, BUT WITHOUT THE WEAPON DATA OR I.C. CHIPS TO RUN IT, IT'S JUST A GLORIFIED PAPERWEIGHT...
BWOO-whip
BREAK MAN
DR. WILY'S ENFORCER
ARE YOU IN TROUBLE? I TRIED TO CALL, BUT EVERYTHING EXCEPT MY PERSONAL TELEPORT SIGNAL IS BEING BLOCKED.
AH-HA-HA! THOMAS, YOU SENTIMENTAL OLD FOOL!
TELL ME THIS IS WHAT I THINK IT IS!
THE WEAPON DATA AND I.C. CHIPS OF YOUR FIRST EIGHT ROBOT MASTERS.
NYAH-HA-HA-HA! PERFECT!
SET THE CRATE OVER THERE AND GRAB SOME TOOLS! VICTORY IS ONLY A FEW INSTALLATIONS AWAY!

MEANWHILE, MANY MILES AWAY...
MAGNET MAN?
HARD MAN?
NEEDLE MAN?
ANYBODY...?
HELLO?
ANYBODY ON THE ASTEROIDS? DID HE OVER-LOOK YOU?
CAN YOU READ ME?
...BROTHERS?
HE GOT THEM!
HE'S WON!
HE BEAT US ALL BEFORE-- WHY DID WE THINK IT'D GO DIFFERENTLY THIS TIME?

...and they can home-in on ceratanium, which is only para-magnetic.
SO COOL!
Thanks for the charge, brother!
Cute little thing, isn't it?
My pleasure!
Yeah, well, all these do is *shoot needles!* I should be in your club, too!

NO!
ONE ROBOT MASTER STILL FUNCTIONS! AND THIS ONE REMEMBERS YOU ALL, MY FALLEN BROTHERS!
KZZT!
SPARK MAN
DWN-023
THE WALKING DYNAMO
FUELED BY COUNTLESS WATTS--AND REVENGE!

SPARK MAN! DON'T BE LIKE THE OTHERS! WE CAN--!
SIZZT!
NO! NO SPEECHES! NO BARGAINS! NO PLEADING!
YOU DESTROYED THE OTHERS! IF I'M TO BE LEFT ALONE--
--THEN SO WILL YOUR PRECIOUS DR. LIGHT!
VMMMMM!

ZORCH!
YOU LEAVE ROLL ALONE!
P-THOOM!
P-THOOM!
P-THOOM!
P-THOOM!
I DIDN'T MAKE THE RULES! YOU HUNTED US DOWN! YOU STARTED ALL THIS!
YOU STOLE THE THE ENERGY ELEMENTS! I NEVER WANTED TO FIGHT ANYONE!
YOU THINK THAT EXCUSES ANYTHING ?!
WEAPON EQUIP! HARD KNUCKLE
SMASH!

I'M ALREADY LOSING EIGHT BROTHERS TO THE PLAN! THAT CAN'T BE HELPED-- WE WERE BUILT TO SERVE!
VWOOSH!
BUT THE OTHERS--MY LINE OF ROBOT MASTERS-- THAT'S ALL ON YOU!
AHHHH!
SVVVVT!
GOOD BOY, RUSH...
LIGHTS OUT, MEGA MAN!
WEAPON EQUIP! SHADOW BLADE

SHING!
SHING!
NO! MY ARMS! MY--!
SHUNK!
SHUNK!
N-NO ...I CAN STILL... I HAVE TO
KZZT!
KZZT!
THUD

I'M SORRY... I WOULDN'T HAVE HURT ROLL... I WAS JUST... SO ANGRY...
NOBODY SHOULD HAVE TO LOSE... THEIR SIBLINGS...
YOU'LL BE BACK WITH YOUR BROTHERS SOON.
WE'RE ROBOTS ...WE DON'T GET AN AFTERLIFE...
NO--I MEAN WE'RE GOING TO REBUILD YOU. I'M SAVING YOUR I.C. CHIPS. YOU'LL HAVE A SECOND CHANCE.
YOU...REALLY? WE'LL BE TOGETHER AGAIN?
YES. WHICH I WOULD'VE EXPLAINED, BUT YOU ALL INSISTED ON FIGHTING.
WHY? WHY?
WHY DID WE ALL HAVE TO GO THROUGH SO MUCH VIOLENCE AND MISERY?!
BECAUSE ...HE TOLD... US TO...

"HE." IT COULDN'T *ALL* HAVE BEEN A LIE...
...COULD IT?
MEGA MAN TO DOCTOR LIGHT--I SENT THE LAST ENERGY ELEMENT. IT'S FINALLY OVER.
I THINK WE REALLY NEED TO HAVE A TALK WITH DR. WILY ABOUT...
...DOCTOR LIGHT? AM I GETTING THROUGH? HELLO?
NOBODY'S ANSWERING AT LIGHT LABS!

ALBERT ...WHY?!
BECAUSE I'M THE BEST, THOMAS. IT'S HIGH TIME YOU LEARNED THAT.
DON'T BE TOO TROUBLED, DOCTOR.
WE'LL MAKE THIS QUICK!
MEGA MAN'S MISSION IS COMPLETE--JUST AS DOCTOR WILY WANTED! IT ALL FALLS APART NEXT TIME WITH "THE ULTIMATE BETRAYAL!"
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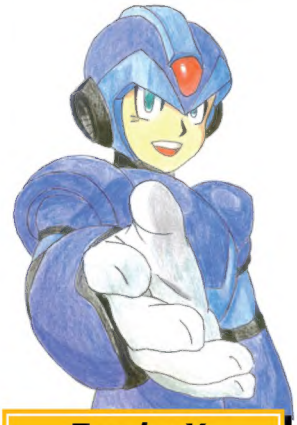

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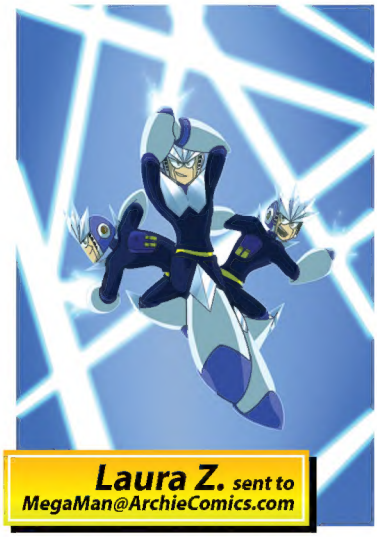

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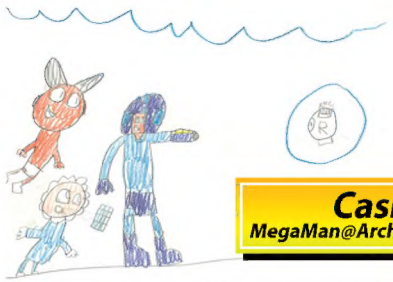

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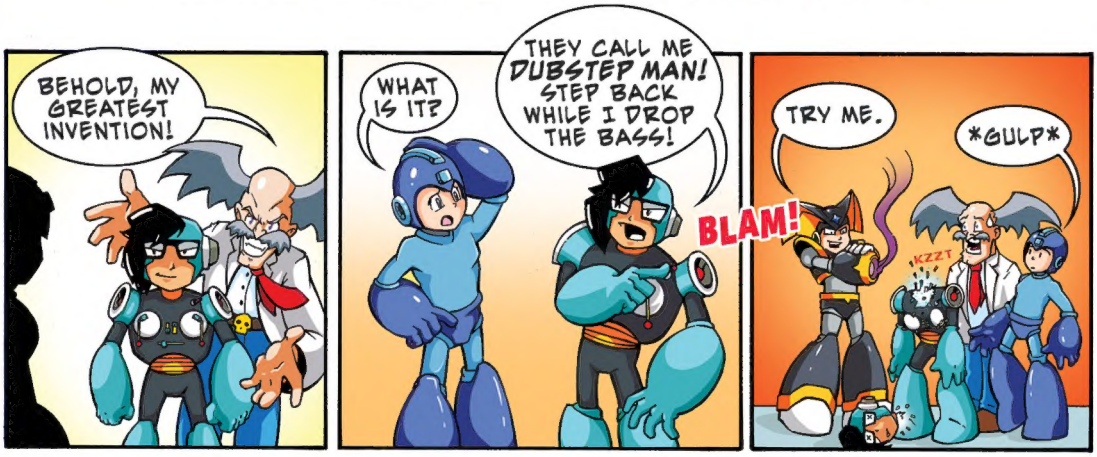

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Dear Mega-Mail,
I loved issue #41. I love the fight against Top Man and Snake Man.

They were great fights indeed! It seemed that Top Man had too much flair for his own good and Snake Man's ego got the best of him for sure!

By the way Mega Man is my most favorite superhero in the whole world. I have almost all the old toys in my house that I play with my Dad. I really wish I could get Dr. Lalinde and Wood Man toys, but they don't make them.

That's really cool that you and your father can bond together through Mega Man! It would be awesome to see some Dr. Lalinde and Wood Man figures someday!

I can't wait for the next issue.

Sincerely,
Katelyn B. sent to
MegaMan@ArchieComics.com

Thanks for the letter, Katelyn! You're a true mega-fan!

Dear Mega-Mail,
I love the new arc! Space goes to a whole new level (literally) with Mega Man!

I see what you did there...

Thank you and also, I dont know if Proto Man already has a #1 fan, but I'm gonna cheat and ask if I can be dubbed BREAK MAN'S #1 fan? Can I do that? Thanks! Buh-bye :)

Sincerely,
Michael M. sent to
MegaMan@ArchieComics.com

Thanks for writing in, Michael! That's a sneaky trick! Almost as sneaky as Snake Man, but I will allow it! You are Break Man's #1 fan!

Dear Mega-Mail,
I just heard about "Worlds Unite" and I cannot wait to see the two true-blue heroes get back together to make the evil doctors wish they had gone to med school. On that note, when are we getting the "Wacky Adventures of Wily and Eggman" spin-off? Barring that, I'd settle for an X comic. There can never be enough blue heroes in the world!

Drew N. sent to
MegaMan@ArchieComics.com

Thanks for writing to us, Drew! We're also really excited for the next crossover! 2015 is only a little while away, so stay stoked, it's gonna be awesome! Spin off comic, eh? Hmmmm...

Well that's all the room we've got! The trouble that's been brewing for Mega Man comes to a full boil in"The Ultimate Betrayal" part one! See ya next month!

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